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## RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

Applicants have received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the Notice of Allowability mailed July 25, 2006 regarding the above-identified application.

The reasons for allowance given by the Examiner correctly emphasize the point that the prior art fails to disclose "A magnetron of the type wherein each protruding region increasing capacitance so as to increase overall capacitance between the first ring strap and a second strap or between the first strap and anode vanes to which the first strap is not connected, the one or more protruding regions causing continuous localized variations in capacitance around the first strap,..." as called for by claim 1.

While Applicants concur with the reasons for allowance, Applicants would like to take this opportunity to clarify the Response of July 6, 2007. In particular, the statement on page 6 of the Response that Oguro (U.S. Patent No. 4,205,257) "does not appear to disclose a second strap" is incorrect. (See Oguro at col. 2, lines 25-28). Further, while the statement on page 6 of the July 6, 2007 Response that the intermediate arrangement of the vanes 2 around strap 3 in Oguro does not result in the claimed continuous localized variations in capacitance around the first strap is true, this statement may be misinterpreted because the intermediate arrangement of the vanes 2 in Oguro is irrelevant to the claimed continuous localized variations in capacitance. It is not believed that these statements detract from the patentability of the invention because the reasons for allowance appear to be totally independent of, and do not rely upon these statements.

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